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Subject: Ambassador of Bahrain's Historic Arrival to Israel

Good afternoon,

The BGR Group represents the Kingdom of Bahrain's Embassy to the United States of America. On September 15th, 2020, Bahrain signed the historic Abraham Accords at the White House, normalizing relations with Israel and marking a new phase of cooperation in the Middle East. Yesterday, Bahraini Ambassador to Israel Khaled Al Jalahma landed in Israel to take up his post and inaugurate the first Embassy of Bahrain to Israel. Israel announced today that Eitan Na'eh will be the first Israeli Ambassador to Bahrain.

Israeli Minister of Foreign Affairs, Yair Lapid, welcomed Ambassador Al Jalahma, stating that "the opening of the Kingdom of Bahrain's embassy in Israel is another step towards true peace in the Middle East. Many countries in the region see the strong ties that are being forged between us and the Bahrainis, as well as the brave decision made by the King of Bahrain, His Majesty Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, to establish peace with Israel. In the future, other countries that are changing the face of the Middle East will join the circle of peace too." Ambassador Al Jalahma emphasized that "The opportunity to fulfill His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa's vision of peaceful coexistence with all nations is a privilege that I will hold in high regard."

We would appreciate your boss releasing a statement recognizing the historic arrival of Ambassador Khaled Al Jalahma in Israel as a signal of the commitment to greater cooperation and the strengthening of ties in the U.S.'s national interest.

Please let me know if you have questions, or if you would like to speak further with the Embassy of Bahrain about their efforts to strengthen bilateral relations with Israel.

Thanks, Mark

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